



Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department

Fire Chief Patrick Kelly



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Date: November 29, 2008

Ward 1 – Mobile Home Fire -6400 Block of S. Fontana

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Dispatch Time – 0153
On-Scene Time - 0158
Fire Under Control – 0210

Red Cross will be assisting a family of six with food, clothing, and shelter because they lost their home in a fire early this morning. Fire units arrived on scene to find this family standing in the front yard with their mobile home fully engulfed in flames. Two vehicles and one home were completely destroyed. No injuries were reported.

Damage was estimated at \$100,000.

Cause – Portable space heater too close to combustible materials

Safety Message: Heating appliances, such as portable space heaters, can be very dangerous. Here are some things you can do to keep your family safe if you are going to use a portable space heater:

- Turn the space heater off and unplug prior to going to sleep or leaving the room
- Make sure the space heater is at least 3 feet away from everything
- Place the appliance on a non-combustible surface
- Do not place heaters near trees or other plants. They can dry out and create a fire hazard